GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2375
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2017
Promotion of Sports for Differentlyabled Persons
Chandel Kunwar Pushpendra Singh

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of differently-abled players of national and international level in the country, State/UT-wise;
(b) the details of expenditure incurred by the Government for the promotion of sports for differently-abled players during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(c) whether the Government proposes to introduce any special social security scheme for the retired differently-abled players and if so, the details thereof;
(d) the number of players appointed in Central Government services under the sports quota during the said period; and
(e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide better facilities for the differently-abled players in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)
(a) The information about the number of differently-abled players of national and international level in the country is not maintained in prescribed format in the Ministry.
(b) The details of expenditure incurred by the Government for the promotion of sports for differently abled players during the last three years and the current year are provided at Annexure.
(c) Under the Pension Scheme of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) financial assistance is provided to the ex-meritorious Sports persons including the differently abled persons.
(d) No data is available about recruitment of differently-abled players under the sports quota. However, the number of players appointed in the Sports Authority of India (SAI) under the sports quota during the said period are as under:-
1. Mr. Rajender Singh Rahelu, Coach-cum-Para Powerlifter.
2. Mr. Farman Basha, Coach-cum-Para Powerlifter.
3. Mr. H.N. Girisha, Coach-cum-Para Athlete.
4. Mr. Devender Jhajaria, Coach-cum-Para Athlete.
5. Mr. Narender Singh, Coach-cum-Para Athlete.
6. Mr. Jaideep, Coach-cum-Para Athlete.
7. Mr. Surjeet Singh, Coach-cum-Para Athlete.
(e) Differently-abled elite athletes are also provided with all requisite differently abled friendly infrastructure and facilities for their training and participation in International events.
Sports Authority of India, Netaji Subhas Western Centre, Gandhinagar has been identified for holding all the sports activities pertaining to differently-abled athletes and Centre is well equipped to handle differently-abled persons.
For preparation in various International Competitions under different sports disciplines, coaching camps are also being organized at SAI, NSWC Gandhinagar. In addition to the Coaching Camps at NSWC, Gandhinagar, Coaching Camps are also organized at SAI Northern Centre, Sonepat, SAI, NSEC, Bangalore.
*****